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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Reference

SUBJECT: Commendation

25X1A9a 1. On the occasion of her transfer from the Library to her new CHIVE assignment, I would like to take this opportunity to express the appreciation of the Office of the Assistant to the Director for all the help Mrs. Josephine [REDACTED] has been for the past year and a half. It is a distinct pleasure to commend her to your attention and to thank you and her supervisors in the Library for having made her services available.

25X1A9a 2. In February 1961 [REDACTED] was asked to study the press index and filing project in this office and make recommendations for its streamlining. This she did, not only during office hours but also on her own time, and the indexing guide which she drew up as a result of this study has proved to be exceptionally workable.

25X1A9a 3. [REDACTED] supervised the training of the office's Archivist in the new system, and in addition volunteered much useful advice and encouraging suggestions to both the Archivist and myself over the period of the first year of reorganization of this office which accompanied the institution of the new indexing and filing system. [REDACTED] also undertook to train the 25X1A9a new Archivist last month; the latter's rapid assimilation of the duties of this job is a testimony to [REDACTED] considerable talents as a supervisor.

25X1A9a 4. Without [REDACTED] help for the past 18 months we would not have been able to effect the smooth transition from our old system to the new and much more workable one. We are all indebted to her for sound advice and friendly help.

25X1A9a 5. I have attached an extra copy of this memorandum for [REDACTED] official personnel file.

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MISS ISABELLA GOODRICH BRECKINRIDGE

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## Baltimore Belle Bows In Capital

Miss Isabella Goodrich Breckinridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Goodrich Breckinridge of Baltimore, made her Washington debut yesterday at a reception given by former Ambassador and Mrs. Jefferson Patterson.

Mrs. Patterson, the former Miss Mary Marvin Breckinridge, is an aunt of the debutante.

On her paternal side, the debutante is descended from the famous Kentucky Breckinridges. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. John C. Breckinridge and the late Mr. Breckinridge of New York.

### Mother's Debut

Her maternal ancestors stem from the noted Pinckney family of Charleston, S. C. Her mother was the former Miss Frances Pinckney who made her debut in Richmond, Va.,

and her maternal grandmother is Mrs. Charles Coker North Pinckney of Richmond.

The debutante, a tall brunette, wore an emerald green satin cocktail dress with matching slippers as she stood with the Pattersons in the receiving line. Mrs. Patterson chose a gown of maroon taffeta striped with gold.

Over 250 guests called at the Pattersons' Woodland drive residence which was decorated throughout with traditional Christmas motifs. A string ensemble from the National Symphony Orchestra provided background music.

### Assistants

Assisting Miss Breckinridge were four Washington debutantes, the Misses Linda Barnes, Sorrel Mackall, Julie Hamm and Louise Graham.

Among the out-of-town guests were the debutante's two grandmothers, and her brother John C. Breckinridge. Also present was Mrs. Patterson's brother, Robert Breckinridge, who has just returned from a trip abroad.

Miss Breckinridge was presented to Baltimore society at a dance given by her parents

at the Green Spring Valley Country Club in June. She bowed again in December at the Baltimore Cotillion.

Last week she was presented in Richmond and on Thursday she will come out in New York at a tea dance at the Colony Club to be given by her grandmother, Mrs. John C. Breckinridge.

She is a graduate of St. Timothy's and now attends Vassar College.

Among those who attended the party were the Ambassador of the Netherlands and Mme. Van Rellen, the British Ambassador and Lady Makins, the Peruvian Ambassador and Senorvian Berckemeyer and the Greek Ambassador and Mme. Melas.

Still others were Viscountess Harcourt, United States Ambassador to Costa Rica, and Mrs. Robert Woodward who are home for the holidays; former Ambassador and Mrs. Myron Cowen, the Ambassador of Panama and Senora de Valarino, Dr. Leonard Carmichael, Mr. and Mrs. James Denby, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wisner, Mr. and Mrs. James Houghteling, Mr. and Mrs. Jouett Shouse and many more.

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